

In the Specification:

Page 6, lines 1-19, (paragraph [0031] in published application), please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

~~An object supporting unit 1 of the~~The embodiment shown in FIG. 1 ~~is so arranged that depicts an~~
object supporting unit 1 wherein the object being supported is a drawer 3 as being an object is
and the drawer 3 is supported in a drawer storage portion 2. Drawer storage portion 2 as being a
is a box body and constituting forms part of a desk A with a drawer. in a manner that enables
~~the d~~Drawer 3 is enabled to be drawn out from or in to drawer storage portion 2.

Page 7, lines 1-19, (paragraph [0032] in published application), please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

The drawer storage portion 2 has an opening 2a at its front, and a suspension rail mechanism 11 constituting a part of the object supporting unit 1 is arranged inside the opening 2a. The suspension rail mechanism 11 supports the drawer 3 from a rear end side in a manner that enables the drawer 3 to be drawn out or in between a position of FIG. 2 wherein the drawer 3 is generally completely stored in the drawer storage portion 2 and a position of FIG. 4 wherein the drawer 3 is mostly drawn out of the drawer storage portion 2 through a state of FIG. 3. The suspension rail mechanism 11 has a well-known arrangement comprising a proximal end rail 11a, a distal end rail 11b, and a middle roller 11c, as shown in pattern diagrams of FIG. 2 through FIG. 4, so as to draw the drawer 3 as much as possible ~~with~~ by extending an arm telescopically, therefore an explanation will be omitted. A guide roller 21 (refer to FIG. 3 and FIG. 5) ~~as being is~~ a guide rotor to support a downward facing surface 3a of a bottom wall 31 of the drawer 3 and is arranged at an inner surface of a side wall near the opening 2a of the drawer storage portion 2.

Page 7, line 20, - page 8, line 4, (paragraph [0033] in published application), please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

The drawer 3 comprises a front wall 32, a rear wall 33 and a right side wall 34 each of which is an upright wall standing at three sides of the bottom wall 31 wherein an upper portion of a side that is orthogonal to a direction ~~of drawing the drawer 3 is drawn out~~, more specifically, a portion corresponding to a left side wall is open so that a person can put on or take an article out of a

shelf 35 or a tray 36 bridging the front wall 32, the rear wall 33 and the right side wall 34 from a side. The suspension rail mechanism 11 arranged in the drawer storage portion 2 supports at least the right and left sides ~~right and left two places~~ of the bottom wall 31 of the drawer 3 near the side wall 22 of the drawer storage portion 2 in a manner slidable along back and forth.

Page 8, lines 5-8, (paragraph [0034] in published application), please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

In this embodiment, a front end 3b side of the drawer 3 is supported in a manner movable along back and forth by a floor F through a free motion rotating body 12 as ~~being~~ a rolling supporting body.

Page 8, lines 9-18, (paragraph [0035] in published application), please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

The free motion rotating body 12 is a solid-core or hollow cylinder at least whose surface is made of resin, with a diameter of $2r$ generally corresponding to a distance between the floor F and the downward facing surface 3a of the bottom wall 31 of the drawer 3, and with a width d exceeding one third of a width w of the drawer 3; and is arranged at a position supporting the downward facing surface 3a at a middle portion along a width direction of the front end 3b (FIG. 6) of the drawer 3 when the drawer 3 is stored in the drawer storage portion 2. See FIG. 5 showing width w wherein the width direction is a direction along the width.

Page 8, line 19, - page 9, line 14, (paragraph [0036] in published application), please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

More concretely, as shown in FIG. 5 and FIG. 6, a pair of channel shaped rails 13 are formed at right and left sides on the bottom face of the bottom wall 31 of the drawer 3 and a pair of inverse triangle brackets 15 are supported alongside by the rails 13 respectively through a pair of rotors 14. A pair of the brackets 15 are axially mounted on both ends of the free motion rotating body 12 through an axis m and a pair of the rotors 14 are arranged on the inner side of each rail 13 with a certain degree of clearance. More specifically, the rotors 14 are mounted on the rail 13 with some amount of clearance in a state wherein the lower end 12a of the free motion rotating body 12 contacts the floor F and its upper end 12b makes an abutting contact with the downward facing surface 3a of the drawer 3. Since the rotors 14 can make a rotational movement inside the rail 13 although the rotors 14 contact the rail 13, resistance to the rail 13 can be counted for

nothing when the free motion rotating body 12 makes a movement relative to the drawer 3. A reason for adopting this arrangement is to attach the free motion rotating body 12 to the drawer 3 so as not to be detached therefrom by supporting the free motion rotating body 12 in a state capable of being suspended by the drawer 3 through the rails 13 and the rotors 14 when carrying the desk A.

Page 10, lines 1-16, (paragraph [0038] in published application), please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

In cases where there is a relatively big friction between the free motion rotating body 12 and the floor F and the free motion rotating body 12 is urged to rotate against the frictional resistance f_0 , it is clear from a difference of a torque arm that it requires less force to roll the free motion rotating body 12 on the floor F if a frontward urging force f_1 is applied to the upper end 12b of the free motion rotating body 12 from the downward facing surface 3a of the drawer 3 like this embodiment than, for example, a case where a frontward urging force f_2 is applied to an axis (corresponding to an axis m in FIG. 5) of a wheel that is axially mounted on a bracket that travels at the same speed as that of the drawer 3. This is clear from a fact that a moving distance of the free motion rotating body 12, relative to the floor F whose frictional resistance f_0 is big, becomes generally half if the free motion rotating body 12 is adopted.

Page 11, lines 11-22, (paragraph [0042] in published application), please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Furthermore, since the width d of the free motion rotating body 12 is made to exceed one third of the width w of the drawer 3 and the free motion rotating body 12 is arranged at a generally middle portion along the width of the drawer 3, it is possible ~~to open both sides of~~ for the free motion rotating body 12 ~~in order to~~ support rear end sides of the right and left side edges of the drawer 3 by the suspension rail mechanism 11; and it is also possible to decrease the frictional force due to an abutting contact locally with the floor F by broadening the area that contacts the floor F as much as possible.

Page 11, line 24, - page 12, line 6, (paragraph [0043] in published application), please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Especially, if the drawer 3 is a large-scaled ~~simplicial~~ body arranged ~~all over the~~ entire drawer storage portion 2 with somewhat small stiffness due to an opening formed on an upper portion of

one side of the bottom wall 31, although the upper portion of the three sides of the bottom wall 31 is surrounded by the front wall 32, the rear wall 33 and the right side wall 34 like this embodiment, an excessive operational force applied to the drawer 3 might cause deformation of the drawer 3; however, in accordance with this embodiment, the operational force can be reduced by half, thereby producing an effect of enabling to draw in or out the drawer 3 without causing deformation as much as possible.

Page 12, lines 7-17, (paragraph [0044] in published application), please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Each arrangement is not limited to the above-mentioned embodiment. For example, in cases where the drawer 3 is supported by the suspension rail mechanism 11 appropriately only ~~at a time of~~ during the initial motion of drawing out and hangs down due to its weight after the drawer 3 is drawn out by a certain degree so that the drawer 3 can not be supported appropriately by the suspension rail mechanism 11 alone, ~~it is effective that a time when the free motion rotating body 12 makes an the~~ initial motion of rolling the free motion rotating body 12 is delayed until the drawer 3 starts to hang down, and after this time the front end side of the drawer 3 is supported to lift.

Page 13, lines 1-18, (paragraph [0046] in published application), please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

More concretely, in order to prevent the drawer 3 from hanging down due to its weight when the drawer 3 is drawn out, the free motion rotating body 12 is supported at a portion floating from the floor F through the rail 13 and the rotor 14 shown in FIG. 6 ~~at a time when~~ the drawer 3 is initially moved. In this case, the rear end side of the drawer 3 is supported by the drawer storage portion 2 through the suspension rail mechanism 11. If an operation of drawing out the drawer 3 is further carried on, the drawer 3 starts to hang down due to its weight and the free motion rotating body 12 contacts the floor F. ~~At this time, an~~ An inclined face 3a1 gradually approaching the floor F is ~~arranged on~~ connected to the downward facing surface 3a of the drawer 3 as shown in FIG. 9, and the free motion rotating body 12 ~~is arranged to get into under~~ moves underneath the inclined face 3a1 so as to lift the front end side of the drawer 3 ~~at a time~~ after the free motion rotating body 12 contacts the floor F.

Page 14, lines 2-11, (paragraph [0049] in published application), please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

In order to secure a floating state of the free motion rotating body 12, ~~it is effective that an~~ inclined face 3a2 is arranged between the drawer storage portion 2 and the downward facing surface 3a of the drawer 3 associated with the above-mentioned guide roller 21 to raise the free motion rotating body 12 above the floor F at a time when the drawer 3 is initially moved and to make the free motion rotating body 12 contact with the floor F after the drawer 3 reaches a predetermined position.